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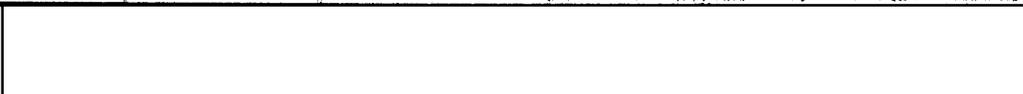
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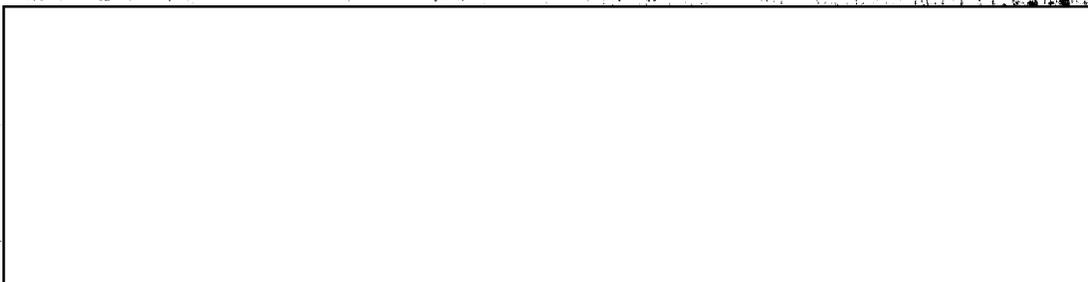
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1. Francisco GUERRERO Pulido, Information Chief of the Caracas, Venezuela, daily newspaper, El Nacional, went to Maracaibo, Venezuela, on the morning of 10 July 1953 and returned to Caracas on the afternoon of the same day. It is believed that he went to Maracaibo to confer with Communist leaders in the Maracaibo area on matters relating to recent international events, such as the disorders in East Germany, the Beria purge, and the status of the Communist Parties in the Iron Curtain countries, all of which have created a climate of extreme confusion within the Communist movement in the Maracaibo area.
2. GUERRERO stated that a high-ranking Latin American Communist would soon visit Venezuela to explain the events mentioned above and to instruct the Party on the line which is to be followed vis-a-vis the international situation.

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